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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PARM, SALT, NATO, FR  
SUBJ: NEXT STEPS ON NON-CIRCUMVENTION

REFS: A. STATE 077597. B. PARIS 09607.

1. BEGIN SUMMARY: EMBOFF CONVEYED REPLIES TO FRENCH QUESTIONS ON NON-CIRCUMVENTION TO FOREIGN MINISTRY DISARMAMENT OFFICER BEAUCHATAUD PER REFERENCE A. BEAUCHATAUD EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR CLARIFICATIONS, UNDERTOOK TO TRANSMIT THEM IMMEDIATELY TO APPROPRIATE GOF AUTHORITIES, AND SAID FRENCH WOULD CONSIDER INFORM-ING US OF GOF POSITION PRIOR TO NAC SESSION AT WHICH US WILL REPORT ITS NON-CIRCUMVENTION STRATEGY. END SUMMARY.

2. ON MARCH 29, EMBASSY POL/MIL OFFICER CALLED ON QUAI DISARMAMENT OFFICIAL BEAUCHATAUD IN ABSENCE OF PAGNIEZ AND MISTRAL. EMBOFF PRESENTED US REPLIES ON NON-CIRCUMVENTION AS SET OUT IN PARA 1, REFERENCE A.

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BEAUCHATAUD, ALTHOUGH NOT PRESENT AT PREVIOUS MEETING ON NON-CIRCUMVENTION, WAS UP-TO-DATE ON FRENCH CONCERNS (REF B).

3. FOLLOWING PRESENTATION EMBOFF ATTEMPTED TO DETER-MINE IF GOF POSITION ON NON-CIRCUMVENTION HAD CHANGED. BEAUCHATAUD RESPONDED THAT THERE HAS BEEN TO DATE NO

CHANGE IN NEGATIVE GOF REACTION TO NON-CIRCUMVENTION  
CLAUSE. BEAUCHATAUD NOTED THAT WE WISHED TO KNOW GOF  
POSITION PRIOR TO NAC MEETING AT WHICH WE WILL REPORT  
ON OUR NON-CIRCUMVENTION STRATEGY AND SAID HE WOULD  
UNDERLINE THAT TO HIS SUPERIORS. SPEAKING PERSONALLY,  
BEAUCHATAUD SAID THAT IN THE EVENT GOF SAYS NOTHING  
AT NAC, US SHOULD NOT CONSTRUE GOF SILENCE AS AGREEMENT.

4. EMBOFF CONVEYED POINTS IN PARA 3, REFERENCE A,  
REITERATING THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF THE INTERPRETIVE  
STATEMENTS WHICH WE HAVE GIVEN THUS FAR ONLY TO FRG,  
UK, AND FRANCE. BEAUCHATAUD NOTED POINT AND SAID HE  
WOULD REMIND HIS SUPERIORS.

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